Stocking of raw jute by JCI

1375. SHRI SURAJ PRASAD:
SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA:

Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state :

(a) whether the Jute Corporation of India has started expanding godown space for stocking raw jute from the current procurement;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) what was the stock of jute in the Jute Corporation of India godowns at the beginning of the current jute seasons; and

(d) how much quantity of raw jute JCI will be able to stock in godowns from the current procurement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES (SHRI KHURSHID ALAM KHAN): (a) and (b) Efforts are being made by Jute Corporation of India to increase its storage capacity to the extent possible.

(c) At the beginning of the current jute season 1986-87 that is 1-7-1986, JCI had stocks of about 20 lakh bales in its godowns.

(d) Taking into account deliveries to be made against expected sales the total storage space available with JCI would be in the region of 13/14 lakh bales for storing jute to be procured during current season. Efforts are being made to hire additional storage space also.

Operations of the Public Sector Units

1376. SHRI K. VASUDEVA PANICKER:
SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether he has written to different Minstries to initiate time bound measures for improving the operations of Public Sector Units under their charge, to maximise generation of internal resources and reduce reliance of budgetary support; and

(b) if so, what is the reaction of various Ministries thereto?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF EXPENDITURE (SHRI B. K. GADHVI): (a) and (b) A communication has been addressed to the Ministers in charge of some of the departments/Ministries to initiate action on time bound measures for further improving the operations of the public sector undertakings with a view, *inter alia*, to maximise generation of internal resources and reducing the reliance on budgetary support. Necessary action in this regard will be taken by the concerned Ministries.

Newsitem captioned "SBI Chief for Inter-Bank cross subsidisation"

1377. SHRI GURUDAS DAS GUPTA: Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to a news-item which appeared in the 'Economic Times' of the 12th June, 1986 captioned "SBI Chief for inter-bank cross subsidisation";

(b) whether it is a fact that the profitability of banks has been eroded to a point where some of the nationalised banks find themselves difficult to keep out of red;

(c) if so, what are the names of the banks and what steps Government contemplate to prevent them from turning red;

(d) whether it is a fact that as per the news-item the liquidity position of some of the banks like United Bank of India and United Commercial Bank are critical:

(e) whether it is also a fact that there is a daily shortage of substantial amount of statutory liquidity ratio in UBI; and

(f) If so, what steps Government contemplate to rectify the situation?